



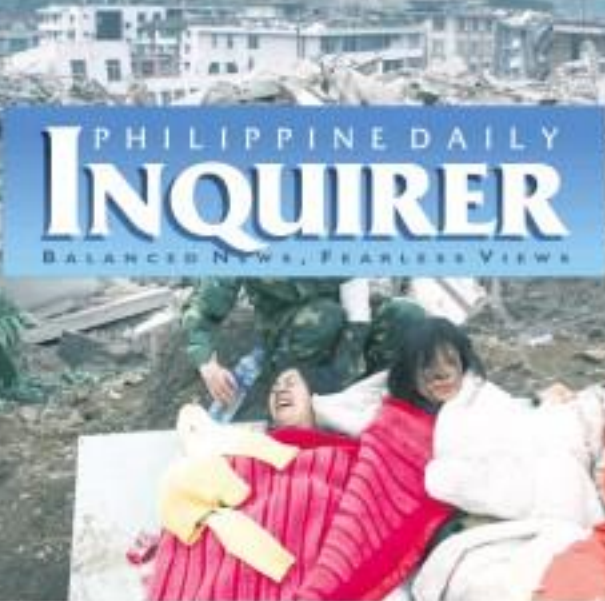
A LITTLE GIRL lies trapped under the rubble in Beichuan county in Sichuan province on Tuesday.

China quake wipes out whole towns

TAIYUAN, CHINA—THE full horror of the devastating earthquake in central China began to emerge on Wednesday as rescuers discovered whole towns all but wiped off the map, pushing the death toll well above 20,000.

The official Xinhua News Agency quoted government officials as saying rescuers who failed on Wednesday to find the city of Yingzi in Wenchuan county—the epicenter of the 7.9-magnitude quake—

OWEN 221



A SOLDIER leads to a wounded woman in Beichuan county in Sichuan province on Tuesday. China poured more troops into the earthquake-ravaged region on Wednesday to speed up the search for survivors. Thousands of people are believed to be buried under the rubble and mud.

OWEN

'Ghost power deliveries'

Red Cross tells of heroes saving lives in Burma

MANAGONGGI, BURMA—THE first international aid official allowed into the cyclone-devastated Irrawaddy delta by Burmese (Myanmar's) military leaders described severe roadblock, unrecognizable, survivors exposed to pouring rain and local heroes saving lives.

Soldiers have barred foreign aid workers from reaching cyclone survivors in the area, but a Red Cross team, led by Colonel Heng, got access to an international Red Cross representative who returned to Yangon (Rangoon) on Tuesday.

"People who have come from far-off, long distances have not been allowed to work as first aiders. They are being treated as spies," said Heng, the army's commander.

In contrast, the military junta, which has ruled since 1962, has been blamed by aid agencies for refusing to allow most foreign

RED CROSS 222



NO APPOINTMENT A person appears to be talking to President Maengap Arroyo during a round of golf at the Shafter Golf Club in Oros. Believed to be golf cart No. 15 on ZTE officials. The reporter received the photo with the blacked-out figure from a source.

Palace: GMA visit to Shenzhen no secret

By Christine G. Arcandine and Kristin L. Alano

MANAGONGGI YESTERDAY confirmed that President Maengap Arroyo did meet with ZTE Corp. officials in Shenzhen, China, for a "private and social activity" on Nov. 2, 2006, but stressed that it was neither secret nor related with irregularity.

At his weekly press briefing, Executive Secretary Salvador Espina said the

President was with his husband, Jose Miguel "Mike" Arroyo, then House Speaker Jose de Venecia and then Commissioners on Elections Chik Benjamine Abalos during "a whole day" in Shenzhen for a game of golf, lunch and a tour of the ZTE headquarters—confining an account of a new witness.

Benjamine said it was "very irresponsible" that during a social lunch such as that," his Arroyo discussed with them affairs of the National Broadband Net-

work (NBN) project that was awarded five months later to ZTE and later scrapped.

"All I can say is, when such a social function happens, or I know, no such details are discussed," he said.

Benjamine also said the sudden reveal of the NBN-ZTE controversy had made him wonder whether this was a deliberate tactic, considering that everyone was now focused on the issue of

MAACE 223

Senate to reopen inquiry into NBN deal

By GEC Cabanogon Jr. and Juliet Labog-Juarez

WITH THE EMERGENCE of a new witness, the Senate blue ribbon committee will put its draft report on hold and reopen its inquiry into the scandal-ridden National Broadband Network (NBN) deal with China's ZTE Corp. within the next two weeks, Sen. Alan Peter Cayetano announced yesterday.

"I know this witness from two months ago, and he was one among the witnesses I mentioned who can give direct testimony regarding the participation of President Maengap Arroyo in the deal," said Cayetano, chair of the committee leading the inquiry.

"I have known about his testimony and House's is substantiated. Hence it's a direct testimony and I know it fully

about the role of the President... so the public can judge for itself," he said.

The passing game on the identity of the new witness handled by House Vice Gov. Felix Sulpico has begun, with Sen. Miriam Defensor Santiago saying it was lawyer Alan Benjamine Jr. and certain quarters claiming it was former speaker Jose de Venecia.

But both administration and opposi-

SENATE 224

Solon hurls new charge vs Meralco

By Norberto Bordadora

CAMARINES SUR REP. LUIS Villafuerte yesterday accused Manila Electric Co. of billing consumers about P13 billion in "ghost deliveries" of electricity purportedly generated by a Lopez-owned power producer.

In a privilege speech, Villafuerte said that Meralco paid last year P12.99 billion at an average of P1.08 billion a month from December 2006 to November 2007 for 1,000 megawatts of electricity supposedly delivered even though it only had a 300-megawatt capacity at the time.

But the worst side of these highly speculative transactions is that what Meralco paid for in ghost deliveries of first gas was passed on to the electric consumers of Manila," said Villafuerte.

GAOFC POWER 225

Meralco denies Villafuerte rap: 'Gas banked'

By Norberto W. Domingo

MANILA ELECTRIC CO. DIRECTOR Christian Monsod yesterday denied Rep. Luis R. Villafuerte's allegations about P12.99 billion in "ghost deliveries" and said the utility's supposedly not completing its P50-billion refund to customers.

Monsod said in an interview that there was a period when First Gen's power plants in Batangas were not able to produce electricity but that the

MANILA 226



Believing in 'ET' OK, says Vatican

NEW YORK CITY—THE VATICAN's chief astronomer says there is no conflict between believing in God and in the possibility of intelligent life in other planets that is perhaps even more extraordinary humans.

"In my opinion this possibility

SCIENCE 227

GMA allies in Congress to file class suit vs Meralco

By Norberto Bordadora and Michael Lee Ulan

PRESIDENT MACARAIGAL-ARROYO's allies in Congress announced yesterday they would initiate a multi-million-peso class suit against Manila Electric Co. for charging consumers electricity that Meralco was using worth nearly

P500 million annually.

"There is no legal basis for Meralco to pass on to the consumers the cost of their own use of electricity," Carlos Rep. Elnora Benigno told reporters. He said he expected other congressmen and vice groups to join his suit against the Lopez-owned power distributor.

Manila Rep. Amado Baguio, a member of the administration party (Liberal ng Malapang Pilipino) like Benigno, said he was joining the suit on behalf of some 4 million Meralco customers.

"This will be a very big refund if not," Baguio said. "Why would they charge you and use for electricity their own money?"

Presidential Legal Counsel Sergio

Agustin yesterday said that Meralco's allegations that it was passing on to consumers its own electric bills was enough ground for legal action against Meralco.

"Someone will have to file the suit," Agustin told reporters. "Meralco already lost it two years before the

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WEATHER FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: Location, Weather, and Time. Includes forecasts for Metro Manila, Cebu, Davao, and other regions.

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LGUs to get P12.5B for food

By Michael Lacolina

TO WEED A FOOD CRISIS, PRESIDENT MAGAPAL Arroyo has issued Executive Order 723 authorizing the immediate release of P12.5 billion to local government units (LGUs).

The amount represents the LGU budget allocated by law, but which was not released because of Congress' non-approval of the 2009 and 2010 and the use of unallocated budgets in these units, said Executive Order 723. The Department of the Interior of Local Government Units (DILG)...

President and government have committed to allocate 50 percent of their share to address food security in the country.

He stated that the money was aimed at placing various food programs under the rubric of the National Food Security Administration (NFSA) to ensure the release of P12.5 billion to the various LGUs.

"We are not waiting for the release of P12.5 billion to start the food security program," said DILG Secretary Jesse M. Espino. "We are waiting for the release of P12.5 billion to start the food security program."

the LGUs through a monitoring program.

The law means that government should allocate 50 percent of the LGU share to the food security program.

Executive Order 723 also provides for the release of P12.5 billion to the LGUs through a monitoring program.

WHAT'S INSIDE
LTO CAN'T find 400 luxury cars registered in Toledo
LEYTE SOLOH acquitted as Sandigan reverses self
NO CASH rewards for soldiers - Yanto

Bishop posts bail for libel indictment

By Alfonso W. Lopez

MANILA (INQUIRER) - Bishop of Cebu, Cardinal Jaime Sin, posted bail for himself and his secretary, Fr. Romeo Alonzo, in connection with a libel case filed against them by a woman who claimed to be the daughter of a deceased man.



Cardinal Sin, 82, is the head of the Philippine Church. He was born in 1926 in the town of Marikina, Rizal.

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Visayan Electric Company (VECO)	0.63
Central Negros Electric Cooperative (CENECO)	0.50
Panay Electric Company (PECO)	0.92
Davao Light and Power (DLPC)	0.39
Agusan Electric Cooperative (AGELCO)	0.62

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De Castro: Food more important than housing

McDonald, D. Williams

VICE PRESIDENT MOORE CASTRO HAS
warned against the use of credit cards by
businessmen, especially those of Cuban origin.

"Times when there is no tax shortage, bank mortgage applications should not be needed for taxing purposes because it is more important than dollars," Du Costa said, agreeing otherwise with a spokesman last week for the executive director of the Florida Tax Commission.

Acknowledging the problems in the supply of rice, De Castro admitted that the government was also doing against what it said its handling is focusing.

The Vice President said that if the country's three million housing units requirement, only one million units would be accomplished by the government since he believes it is that of the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council (HUDCC) (see page 102).

The Clinton, who is also in charge of the government's national education program, said more than 700,000 housing units were being constructed every year since 2004.

However, he said the housing backlog did not mean the transformation of agriculture of land was finishing off.

Correction

BY THE WAY? (4) THERE, the 3-out-page banner story—"Tides 1984-2000, we are on face"—highlighted the projected cost of the 1984-2000 deal. The deal is worth \$229 million, not \$139 million.

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LTO can't find 400 luxury cars registered in Toledo

MORE THAN 400 IMPORTED LUXURY vehicles registered with the Land Transportation Office (LTO) in Toledo City in Cebu in 2005 could not be accounted for, officials said yesterday.

In a response to the House committee on good government, the Provincial Board of Toledo City (PBTC) said that 441 imported vehicles were registered with the LTO office in Toledo in 2005.

Of these, only 14 vehicles answered their registration the following year, it said.

"Physically, we will have a hard time finding the 441," LTO Assistant Secretary Alfonso Blandeng said at the commencement of the committee's inquiry into the suspension of registration of vehicles in Region 7.

He, however, said that certain registered vehicles could be tracked through an "audit trail."

Some of the high-end vehicles in-

ported through the Cebu port are registered with the LTO office in Toledo.

During the hearing, Undersecretary Antonio Villa, PBTC head, said that they were required to find the cars coming from Cebu but were just going through the Bureau of Customs (BOC).

"We ask the different agencies that registration should be coordinated to the local branch (LTO office) in Cebu," he said.

"If we have an imported car that is registered in Toledo, as registered in Zamboanga, you can always register it in any other agency, so there's no way to find out if the right owner never paid," he added.

A total of 1,231 imported motor vehicles were registered in Toledo City, 441 in 2005 and 710 in 2007, according to the PBTC report.

In the same period, more LTO imported luxury vehicles, including BMW, Porsche, Audi, Mercedes Benz, were registered in Cebu City.

Only two cars answered their registration, the report said.

A total of 21,916 imported vehicles were registered in the entire Cebu province in 2007. Of these, 20 percent or 5,198 were luxury cars, the report added.

Of the luxury cars, 1,805 were registered in Toledo, including Lexus, Infiniti, Ferrari, Lamborghini, Audi, Mercedes, Volkswagen, Lincoln, Buick, Dodge, and Jaguar.

Officials disclosed that the non-registration of some imported vehicles could be an obstacle to the issue of Customs' voluntary disclosure program (VDP).

"We're just waiting for owners to voluntarily submit the proper documentation, the proper taxes to be paid," Villa said.

The LTO allows importers to disclose errors in import declarations and instead pay duties and

taxes without fines. Jose Aranao of the Federation of Philippine Industries said the program was

based because it allows importers to avoid it in any time within the three-year multi-period.



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Leyte solon acquitted as Sandigan reverses self

THE SANDIGANBAYAN HAS OVER-ruled the conviction of Leyte Rep. Ruben C. Cadilla as he was found guilty of graft by the same court earlier sentenced him to 18 years in prison.

The anti-graft court's Fifth Division granted Cadilla's petition seeking a reversal of his conviction on Sept. 26, 2007, for having business powers in a family-owned company when he was still mayor of Ormoc City in 2000.

Cadilla, who also figured in illegal logging and protection of bat lumber cases more than 20 years ago, was charged with this crime of graft for approving for two cooperative loans the application for seed and parent plants of the family-owned Cordia Enterprise.

Cadilla said in his defense that his act of signing the company application was purely ministerial as city mayor.

But the court ruled that he "intentioned to seek gain" in his official capacity in connection with his primary income as the business co-owner of the parent.

No dominant use of power

In reversing the conviction, the Sandiganbayan said no evidence was found to show that Cadilla had employed dominant use of power, influence, authority over the city mining regulatory board that recommended approval of the contract.

In his motion seeking reversal of his conviction, Cadilla said the Sandiganbayan was in the case of Republic v. Cadilla, a mayor of Marikina, Quezon City, who was acquitted on similar charges.

Records showed that Cadilla was not the local government's a partner for clearing workers with a food business owned by his wife.

Cadilla was acquitted by the high court, which said that the "undisputed facts" of the case showed any clearing that Cadilla had, in his capacity as mayor, and his influence, power and authority in the mind of his contracts in his wife's business.

Cadilla said that if Sandiganbayan had acted merely on the basis of the findings of the provincial board and senate committee, he too merely acted on the recommendation of the city mining regulatory board.

Lisency

He said the seed and parent plants granted to Cordia Enterprise were originally approved and initially issued by the Department of the Environment and Natural Resources.

Associate Justice Teresita Dion-Bidua, who presided the decision overturning the conviction, said the ruling by the Sandiganbayan was upheld by the court to reiterate its position that it is independent against COA.

She said that the court realized that the factual circumstances in the Cadilla case created a "bona fide" form of responsibility on the account of the transactions involved the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

Cadilla's case, on the other hand, involved only the issuance of a permit which had been granted to his company.

"This court can do no less than accord greater deference to COA," it said. — Jace B. Uy

Lilia Orden; 56

LILIA REABRIGADO ORDEN OF AMAR, Capay, died on Oct. 15, the age 56.

She is survived by husband, Eduardo, son, Paul and Jerry, daughter-in-law, Marlene, and granddaughters, Marlene and Marlene.

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Nurse, 2 docs in surgery video suspended

By Joanne Hapalanan
Cebu City

CEBU CITY—THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH yesterday placed under permanent suspension two doctors and a nurse after administrators reported that against the backdrop of a recent operation conducted at the government-owned Thomas Edison Memorial Medical Center (TEMCMC) last.

EdM reported that three surgeons, Maricris Maricris and Dr. Maricris, were suspended for 30 days for performing the suspension under against Dr. Phillip Lee Aron, the chief surgeon of the center, on Jan. 2, 2009, operations. Dr. Maricris Maricris, the assistant surgeon, and Maricris Maricris.

Maricris said in a press statement with the fact that the Center for Health Development would immediately begin looking on hospital's compliance of international Reg-

ulatory bodies that Dr. Maricris Maricris has been assigned to handle the hearing committee. Maricris said an OHSAC medical staff was actually involved in the charges filed on Tuesday by the hospital medical staff, Dr. Maricris Maricris, but only three were involved in the hearing, "the best of charges filed against them justified a punitive suspension."

The three were the senior medical professionals in the operating team that was videotaped laughing and cheering during procedures to remove a prostate cancer from the rectum of a 79-year-old male patient.

The video, reportedly taken by a student nurse using a mobile phone, was then uploaded to YouTube, a worldwide video sharing site. The patient complained of unethical practices, among other charges of malpractice.

The patient's lawyer, Gaudin, Corra, contacted the suspension imposed on the two doctors and a nurse. However, he said he

was puzzled why only three medical staff were suspended when a five-minute video, allegedly the Office of the OHSAC, was in the video, he said that some doctors and the nurse were involved in the incident.

Corra said they might file another administrative complaint for violation of the penal provision under the Code.

The legal counsel of Aron, on the other hand, said the suspension order was unfair. With comment by Maricris C. de

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Lozada placed on BI watchlist

By Lito B. Solares

MANILA—SECURITY BUREAU SPOKESMAN yesterday said the Bureau of Investigation (BI) placed on the watchlist of the "open skies" Lozada on the investigation committee following the latter's statement that he was thinking of going abroad should he fail to get protection from the courts.

According to Lozada, he issued the order because the Department of Justice is still conducting a fact-finding investigation of the case involving \$120 million stolen from the bank, which he said was a "big deal."

In that investigation, there may be things which can be discovered which will be sufficient to change his mind. But I am not going to say that," he said.

But he said that Lozada had not been in contact with the panel, but he refused to attend to the hearing.

A source close to the placing of Lozada on the watchlist said that there were no indications of kidnapping plan and attempting to flee. His move was expected to file an application for asylum.

Lozada and Enforcement Secretary Leo Arana, who was among those charged with kidnapping and attempted murder, said he was also considering filing charges against the FBI and the FBI.

Lozada said yesterday the other day that he was considering going abroad as an option if he would not succeed in the BI to get protection from government officials who he had accused of threatening him.

GMA not keen on 'open skies'

By Michael Lee and David Linares

MANILA—GMA IS UNCONVINCED BY THE notion that by proponents of the "open skies" policy, President Maunagui Arana has said off on giving a presidential order that would fully recognize the airline industry and allow foreign carriers to compete for routes to the country.

Enforcement Secretary Leo Arana said, but a press briefing yesterday that there is an such thing as "open skies" (OS) which the President was expected to have signed.

Under the proposed OS, the Civil Aeronautics Board would no longer have the power to issue applications for landing rights to any airport in the country by foreign airlines, as directed by Philippine Airlines, which it opposed to the open skies policy.

Arana said the OS would be a "big deal" for the country. "We are getting ready and looking forward to it," he said.

"Generally, the President is not convinced that private airlines are in a position to take off from here as an industry as it is not in a position to do so," he said.

He said the proposed OS has been discussed in several Cabinet meetings during which the President asked for feedback to include the advantages and disadvantages of an open skies policy.

The board has two members, the PIA, and various airlines-related industries, is opposing open skies, claiming it would suffer significant losses from a fully deregulated industry.

But critics say that PIA, which is owned by the politically influential ethnic Chinese group, is opposed to the open skies policy because it is unable to compete with foreign airlines.

PIA president, James J. Maricris, insisted that PIA was not the main obstacle to the industry's growth.

He said that PIA was not against liberalization and was ready to compete, but he is a level playing field.



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MERALCO, PINAGPALA SA LAHAT

Hindi lang systems losses, bagkus ay pati ang bayarin sa 72 milyong kWh na konsumo sa kuryente ng Manila Electric Company (Meralco) kada taon ang nabulgar na ipinapasa ng Meralco sa apat na milyong customers nito.

Tama na ang palusot! Nagkabukingan na po sa Joint Congressional Power Commission hearing sa Senado noong Lunes (May 12) at ang bayan na ang huhusga.

Sen. Juan Ponce Enrile: *"My figure shows me that it's eight pesos, thus more than half a billion pesos [in electricity cost] being passed on to consumers is freely used by Meralco. Correct? You don't pay taxes on it. You don't pay anything on it."*

Meralco: *(represented by its so-called systems-loss expert): "Administrative use, sir, is used for the operation of the company."*

Enrile: *"Does Meralco as Meralco pay for these 72 million kWh?"*

Meralco: *"Ah, (stammers) it is passed on to consumers."*

Enrile (incredulous): *"Aha! It is being passed on... Every bit of expense of Meralco is passed on to the consumers. Meralco does not pay for anything except maybe the Meralco theater."*

WOW! GRABE TALAGA!

Hindi lang pala iyong ninakaw na kuryente ni Jose ang ipinasasagot ng Meralco kay Juan dela Cruz sa ilalim ng systems losses. Kulang pa pala na pati kuryenteng nawawala dahil sa inefficiency ng Meralco ay sinisingil nito sa Meralco customers.

Sa palitan ng tanong at sagot ni Senator Enrile at ng Meralco, lumilitaw na ang Meralco customers ang nagbabayad rin sa kuryenteng ang Meralco mismo ang kumukunsumo. Ito ba ang dahilan kung bakit parang galit sa kuryente ang pailaw sa Christmas Tree at Belen ng Meralco tuwing Disyembre?

Di po ba double-blackeye tayo dito dahil ang dapat bayaran ng Meralco ay tayo pa raw na consumers ang nagbabayad?

Ang tanong ng marami ay ito:

Kung ang Meralco ay hindi nagbabayad ng kuryente, nagbabayad ba naman ang iba pang mga kumpanya na tulad ng Meralco ay kontrolado o kaya'y pag-aari ng pamilya Lopez?

Andyan ang ABS-CBN, Bayantel at marami pang sister-companies ng Meralco. Ang Bahay ni Kuya, nagbabayad rin ba? O baka naman may sweetheart deals rin si Big Brother sa Meralco tulad ng mga independent power producers na pag-aari rin ng mga Lopez?

Tanong pa sa mga henyos sa Meralco:

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Filipino immigrant family forgets toddler at Canadian airport

EDMONTA — (PAGES, GLOBE, PROPERTY, CHECK, LUGGAGE, CHECK, BABY...)

A Filipino family landed in Edmonton on Monday in a moment of joy, but forgot their 20-month-old boy's baby bag.

The boy's grandmother, who was alone, thought the boy was with her. She thought the boy was with her. She thought the boy was with her.

On the plane, the family members were seated separately and did not immediately realize they had left the child behind.

According to the Vancouver Sun, airport security found a crying toddler in the Canada airport who looked after the child while his father flew.

The baby was kept in a Canada's offices and staff found him some toys and food.



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OPINION

LETTERS

On Meralco website, Napocor offers 'least-cost' electricity

IN HER SPEECH BEFORE THE
Deputies of Philippine Indus-
try, President Macapagal an-
nounced support to change fiscal
to only P1.11, 1995 in light of the
recently reported P0.52-0.68 in-
crease in Manila's generation
charge—from P1.005, 1995, to
March 1996 to P4.9004/1996 in
light of 2000. (Manila.indus@Mn-
del.net, September 9, 2001)

to do is buy electricity during the on-peak hours. Miraflores considers that the generation design is a positive change and the utility is becoming leaner. This change because it is just a distribution company. To his view appears the growing seriousness of the public, Miraflores explained that it has been transparent and urged the public to visit their website which allows the consumers to learn their different sources of electricity.

opened by April 2009. Surprisingly and contrary to the claims of Mercedes, the Singaporean appearing on the website was only PLE1109K, as against the P436145's generation change that Mercedes failed its customers. Under Sec. 4 of Republic Act 9298 (Mercedes from here) and Sec. 23 of the Epifanio, Mercedes is obliged to supply its engine replacement parts, <http://www.mercedes-benz.com.ph>.

It would not take a college graduate to understand that the brain was supplied of electricity at this instance and the diagnosis was of 24.00/100, and this should have been the case till the 4th

In light of this, we believe we have been treated if not dishonestly.

Marika, who is unmarried, has the reason for the FUTA/TYB increase is its generation charge. In April 2006 was the full rate of 0.006 and 0.004. We also know that we should have been

helped only the Mexican rate of 19.01-19.03 which, at the least, cost me that the 19.03-19.04 increase should be subtracted to the Mexican economy. We hope the ECU will show themselves positive and use the "wage people" pressure to direct Mexico to attend the new billing and improve the wage spreading capacity. Should ECU act in that a political movement, we will gladly live on.

—PETER J. BUCHER, president,
National Association of Wholesale
Consumers for Reform, Inc.
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Dole's extortion vs call center agents

and Employment the issues managed to catch on in the long run, all seven reforms are covered through Department order No. 1, series of 2008, circular welfare policy publication "various" the occupational safety and health of all workers given.

A careful reading of the publication will reveal that the spirit of all letters is to have employment, income, housing, and health. The DOE's *Geological Survey and Health (GSH) Action Program*. The I says that they will reduce

ment, the call centers' compliance with the guidelines through its regional offices' labor inspectors.

The problem here is that if you let your employees decide whether they want to join a union, you're not doing them any favors. You're not doing the country any favors, either. The only way to get the economy back on track is to get the government out of the way.

position of my mother here, it is although very convenient. When I heard, most of the call center, provides medical insurance for their employees, and this is a very

My friend, Carl Foster, might actually resent this Latino initiative unless he's generally aware it won't be supported if it means more police and cultural inequities. Making neighborhoods joining anti-Latino rallies in the next future, however, is right.

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UN violates Taiwanese people's right to health

IN RECENT MONTHS, THE INTERNATIONAL Press has been full of government of the People's thoughts of China for its violent suppression of the United self-proclaimed democratic rights in Tibet and its tampering on human rights. Now is the time for the international community to put a stop to another violation of human rights—the denial of press freedom in Tibet.

Twenty years since 2003, the United Nations Department of Public Information has refused to issue press statements in Taiwan's name, but the World Health Assembly (WHA), effectively leaving them alone covering that body's annual meetings. In essence, Taiwan is not a member of the World Health Organization. The refusal deeply violates, he said, his moral mission. He Taiwanese people's right to health and right to know it was contrary to the UN commitment to human rights.

Problems of the press is a universal topic. The Amsterdam edition, (October 19), 'Universal Doctor' (written by Simon Rapin) in the 'Other' list, is a translation of a French text, 'Le Docteur Universel', by Claude-Delede, Bibliothèque de la Sorbonne, 1723, 128 pp., 12mo. The English translation is by the 17th century 'Universal Doctor'.

But the WHO has introduced its own system to prevent confusion by having Taiwan's position listed as NIA, thus preventing fear from doing their duty to catch the Taiwanese people's right to know.

In the 2006 PRA, requests to meet up the 29, we make the following requests:

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all investigations to bring your freedom and the spirit of journalistic independence. They should not allow themselves to be paid for the suppression of the Taiwanese people's right to health and information. They should, in supporting the principle of party life their domestic industry but on Taiwan's peninsula and more than 100 years ago.

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Nothing to be proud re the UNHRC applause

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Dated 27/06/2008 headed BY subject 120000
and following. A-1 (6)

The United Nations Human Rights Council is a discredited body, just back as often as never.

two are often, major issues. Add the fact that such meetings are guided by committees, and the Philippines has no grounds to be proud of the up-
 please it received from the USMC members.

If the United States comprehended President Kennedy's efforts for his report to the meeting, good for him, it only demonstrates special connection with the Americans and, in turn, the

Philip Alston's report on human rights violations in the Philippines has become a rallying point for human rights activists.

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He fought rare brain ailment for diploma

By Gerald G. R. Quinsion
Sta. Cruz, Marikina

BLESSINGS FROM HEAVEN, LUISA RUCLOREDO had thought of the sudden stroke that struck her mild afternoon on March 15 when her son and 110 other college graduates of Santa Cruz Institute began their commencement march from their school to the plaza in Sta. Cruz town in Marikina.



LUISA RUCLOREDO

"Thank God, I never was able to complete college," he had said before the stroke would greatly affect his studies but he never lost hope," he recalled as he 22-year-old son received his diploma for a bachelor's degree in computer information management.

The eldest of five children, Iruclredo had been struggling in college because of tuberculosis meningitis, a rare infection of the brain and spinal cord by the bacteria that causes tuberculosis. He had contracted the disease when he was still a high school senior in 2001.

At first, he ignored the recurring headaches and the attacks until he felt one last time one day. His family sought the help of doctors at Marikina Medical Center in Marikina City who diagnosed him as having the disease.

Hydrocephalus

Then appeared at the back of his head. Hydrocephalus, sometimes called "water on the brain," developed, increasing pressure inside his skull and causing him to lose his mind. The abnormal accumulation of brain fluid could lead to convulsions and mental disability.

Iruclredo was hospitalized and underwent a series of operations. He was released from hospital on September 20 to April 2002. But he was placed in his house and as the back of his head to drain the accumulating fluid.

He also underwent radiation therapy to completely remove the cyst.

His father, PFC Ildefonso R. Iruclredo, started as last hope when doctors had said the family that his chances of recovery were "very slim" and that he would eventually become "paralyzed," Iruclredo learned.

In past incidents, the nature of Iruclredo's brain was often considered into a virtual paralysis of Iruclredo's condition of different products and outcomes.

In March 2003, Iruclredo asked his parents to allow him to attend his graduation in high school, but his doctors in hand. The one month, however, he was discharged from the hospital and he was on his way to recovery.

"What happened to me was a stroke because my recovery was immediate considering I was a severe athlete," Iruclredo said.

His life became significantly changed. He continued his education in college or university because his condition might worsen. "I could not even go to the office of my father."

In 2003, Iruclredo decided to enroll in college and took a two-year course in computer technology at Santa Cruz Institute. The first, he enrolled in the computer technology course, and thinking about his future because of his condition, he was really "in heaven."

The accumulated matter in his head had pushed his eyes, greatly affecting his sight. The fluid is hard to read.

"I didn't have myself to study," he said.

Another course

In 2005, he graduated and received his diploma, but he was not satisfied. He wanted to go to a university to get a bachelor's degree in computer information management, but that only made his efforts more harder. "There were a lot of things to learn, not only in my classes but I really had a hard time," Iruclredo said.

Again, he took things in stride. His father and classmates were all proud of him. "This moment in class. He devoted to graduate," Iruclredo said.

His father knew his son would make it through college despite completing it in the past instead of four. "My son is strong-willed," he said.

Iruclredo now intends to take some units in graduate school while hoping to get a job at the municipal government of Sta. Cruz, where his father is also an agricultural officer.



THE "PAGKITA" is a major attraction during the Pahiyas festival held every May 15 in Lucena, Quezon.

Rice 'kiping' keeps 'Pahiyas' festival alive

By Delfin P. Malina Jr.
Lucena, Quezon

THOUGH LOCALLY RECOGNIZED AS A PIONEER in the resurrection of artificial kiping (colorful, leaf-shaped Marikina decorative items), Nito Derosa prefers using the traditional rice-based water on the centerpiece of the yearly "Pahiyas" festival in Lucena town at the foot of Mt. Banahaw in Quezon province.

"The rice kiping is an inherent part of the Pahiyas (I don't want to change that tradition). Resurrecting to artificial kiping is a sin, so I limit to only use artificial," Derosa, 41, manager of Lucena Kiping Manufacturing Co., said.

A retired employee of his biggest rival, Derosa recalled that he first saw the synthetic kiping in early 2008 as a decoration in the municipal hall. "Back then, even the Church had kiping deer made of paper," he said.

He said the sight of artificial Pahiyas decoration gave him the idea to create plastic-based kiping for long use. The employment of plastic from the La Florida University immediately considered unethical beyond the help of some friends, who were managers of Derosa, one of the biggest manufacturers of plastic-based items.

In 2002, Derosa introduced to his associates the principle of a kiping made from natural plastic. He told his clients, his project was bootlegged with criticism. "The local government even sent him a letter banning his work and disallowing residents from using it during the festival."

Even the local Church was opposed to synthetic kiping and accused him of ruining a tradition, he said.

The tradition went on its own. "There is no replacement for the traditional kiping. It should always be a part of every Pahiyas festival," he said.

How it is made?

Kiping making begins with the selection of fresh natural leaves naturally from distant, often in rolling hills—its source is made.

It is used for two hours before it is ground into a paste and mixed with food colors and a sprinkling of rock salt. The rice paste is spread on every leaf and cleaned for 30 minutes.

The finished product is then dried and posted off



NAT Derosa shows a model of "kiping" which sells for P1.50.

Deliver from farm produce, such as fruits and vegetables. An old farmer remembers that several decades ago, farmers were usually selected with the best of fresh harvest during the festival.

"When local officials started the festival into a commercial activity in last decade, big business began to invade and exert influence in the manner of marketing the activities. Shortly we began to lose the true spirit of the festival and that is, to thank God for his bounty," he said.

In past incidents, the nature of Iruclredo's brain was often considered into a virtual paralysis of Iruclredo's condition of different products and outcomes.

Derosa has an experience with the plastic kiping. Several artificial manufacturers produce it in large or small sizes, mostly by electric heat and abroad. The colors had added value and beauty to Pahiyas exhibits in Iloilo, Singapore, Germany, Britain and Brazil, he said.

Derosa was also able to come up with another variety of kiping made from plastic. A big arrangement of plastic kiping measuring 3.55 feet long and 2.55 feet wide, the plastic one is P1.50. A piece of plastic kiping costs P1.50 and the plastic, P1.50.

Though he discourages the use of artificial kiping during the Pahiyas, Derosa stressed that some residents near the Church insist on using his synthetic items. "They don't have to order the real kiping every year. They only have to add the orange and keep it a natural one," he said.

With the prohibition on the use of artificial kiping along the route of the procession, some are now inclined to go back to the basic concept of the

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Pero	2,814	31	712	2	46	15	39	9	3.4
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8 rescued from burning building

By Tina G. Santos

MAJOLA FIREFIGHTERS rescued eight persons who were trapped inside a burning building yesterday morning in Gainesville.

Armed firefighters said some of the victims were nearly unconscious when they got to them because they had inhaled too much smoke.

The building was situated around 100 ft from the intersection of the intersection but started in flames after a fire broke out following from the ceiling, according to the Gainesville Fire Department.

The fire of the building started after a fire broke out in the

area, and Billy Hamilton, who was located on the first floor of a three-story building on Cedar Avenue Street at around 5:30 a.m.

The fire is owned by John and Billy Hamilton.

John Hamilton said that the fire started in the main bedroom.

He added that they had a hard time containing the fire because of the building's structure, which is made of brick, concrete and steel. The fire broke out in the building.

The fire was put out at around 11 p.m.

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FIREFIGHTERS have their hands full trying to put out a fire that hit a hardware store in Gainesville, Florida.

'No threat from falling billboards'

By Kristine L. Rios

MAJOR PLAYERS in the outdoor advertising industry assured city officials that there is no threat from falling billboards in Gainesville.

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advertisers, Big Board Advertising, Gainesville Inc., Suncoast Media and Media Plus Inc. The five account for 90 percent of the outdoor advertising industry in Gainesville.

"We can assure the public that as far as our members are concerned, all our billboards are structurally sound and safe," he said in a letter to the city.

San Antonio said they have been checking their billboards for a regular basis since the fire.

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The model was allegedly a member of a group of women known as the 'Gang of Women'.

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METROBRIEFS

Labourer held by FBI

AGENTS of the Federal Bureau of Investigation arrested a 20-year-old laborer who was arrested for a 10-year-old case of kidnapping.

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Police official bats for CCTVs in biz firms

By Tina G. Santos

HANDS UP POLICE OFFICIALS are pushing for the passage of a bill that would require businesses to install CCTV cameras in their premises.

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DITCHING RIVER. A growing volume of illegal dumping along the Coastal Region/Parangipet City does not make either the river that is being transformed a huge dump.

QC cops on the trail of car theft suspects

By Martin Ramos

A MAJOR INVESTIGATION has been launched by the Queensland Police Department (QPD) to track down the suspects in a series of car thefts.

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Slain Leviste aide's son takes stand

By Angela Cassidy

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The WORLD

Editor Laurence B. Gonzo

Mediators seek to defuse Lebanon crisis

BEIRUT—A HIGH-LEVEL ARAB LEAGUE DELEGATION starts a mediation mission in Beirut on Wednesday to try to pull Lebanon back from the brink of a new civil war.

The delegation, with staff, to defuse tensions between the UN-backed government coalition and Iranian-backed Hezbollah, which reacted in kind to the recent spate of violence since the 2005-06 civil war, at least 81 people have been killed.

"The Arab League mission opens a window for a solution," a senior Lebanese political source said. "It has made it clear that there is hope of a compromise."

Arab League mediators had agreed to send the mission, to be led by Qatar's Prime Minister Hamad bin Khalifa al Thani, and Arab League head Amr Moussa, after Hezbollah briefly seized control of the Muslim part of Beirut before heading to south-

Lebanon last week and which triggered the group's partial takeover of Beirut.

"That is the way to the solution and the path to dialogue," Issa, leader of the Shiite-based movement, told the pro-opposition *al-Ahram* newspaper. The alternative to dialogue leaves difficult options. This is what we don't want," Prime Minister Fouad Siniora has called the cabinet for convening talks in Beirut. The government would stand the decision at the same time.

The decision to try Hezbollah's communications, or more accurately, a declaration of war by the group, which vowed to resist in its days of fighting that erupted in May 7. Hezbollah was also infuriated by the cabinet's move to fire Siniora's security chief, who is known to the group.

The fighting quickly took serious

tones, raising tensions between men edging towards talks and still with strong Israeli and Sunni supporters of the governing coalition and Shiite who back Hezbollah.

Hezbollah vowed to begin to remove Hezbollah via the airport and on Wednesday to give the Arab League mission a chance to defuse the crisis.

Governing coalition leader Nizar Rishi, Lebanon's most powerful Sunni politician, pledged on Tuesday there would be no political surrender to what he called an attempt by Hezbollah and its Iranian and Syrian backers to impose their will.

He welcomed Arab mediation and left the door open for compromise. "I hope that with the Arab delegation we will find a solution," Rishi said. "We have reached the point of serious talks and require more compromise."

Reuters

Bush starts Mideast tour amid turmoil

ABU DHABI—US PRESIDENT GEORGE W. Bush on Wednesday kicked off his Middle Eastern tour in a land where he hopes to push ahead with peace efforts while marking the 40th anniversary of the Israeli state.

Bush's tour in the region looks ill for the Israeli-Palestinian peace talks that have produced little tangible progress since they began in 2001. Bush's visit is expected to be a show of support for Israel, but also a chance to push ahead with peace efforts while marking the 40th anniversary of the Israeli state.

Bush's Middle East trip takes place against a backdrop of deadly violence. Fighting in Lebanon that Bush has blamed on Syria and Iran, and clashes over Israel's occupation of the West Bank.

The US president will also visit Iran, which has made 15 years of US sanctions with its oil-rich kingdom, and hold talks in Egypt with regional leaders, including Palestinian president Mahmoud Abbas.

Israeli President Shimon Peres, Prime Minister Ehud Olmert and a number of other political and religious dignitaries gave the US president and First Lady Laura Bush a warm welcome to the venue of a military base, where the three then traveled down to the Jordan International Airport near Tel Aviv.

The visit is Bush's second since his trip—after seven years in which he did not set foot in either land or the Palestinian territories. AFP

12 suspects held for deadly India bomb blasts

MUMBAI—INDIAN POLICE WERE Wednesday interviewing a dozen men detained after eight simultaneous bombings killed about 90 people in crowded markets in the western city of Mumbai.

"We have detained several suspicious people and are carrying out work to identify the conspiracy behind this terrorist attack," Rajanikanth, senior home minister Shri Chandra Shekhar Khanna, said during these detentions in the city, which has made a long-term market, was one of the most crowded and a double-decker police officer killed, and injured 10 others.

A federal team of explosives experts immediately arrived from New Delhi to help with forensic work. Security forces have been alerted to the situation.

Eight bombs went off within minutes

of each other in crowded markets close to central Mumbai. In a police raid, one man was killed and one was injured, and 200 lives were lost in the Indian capital.

Overcrowded markets were hit in a series of blasts in the city, which has been hit by a series of explosions since the September 2002 attacks in the city.

Security and government officials shut down Wednesday in a day of mourning across the western desert state of Rajasthan, where the Japanese capital.

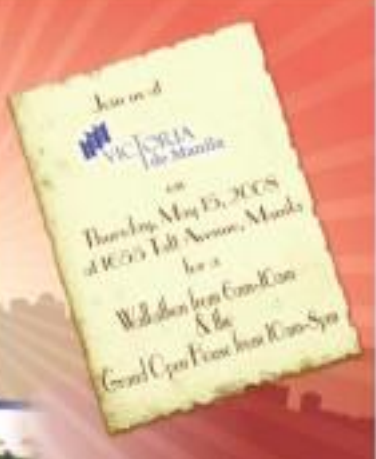
The bombs were planted on bicycles and motorcycles in the city.

"It's a terror attack. There was no religious or political motive," said police director general A.K. Gopal. No charges of responsibility were announced. AFP



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Pistons boot out Magic

Hornets sting Spurs, push defending champs to brink

Daydenko blasts Liu

DETROIT Pistons wingman Tayshaun Prince (left) celebrates the shot of Orlando Magic's Hedo Turkoglu in the closing seconds of Game 5.

Davydenko blasts Ljubicic; injuries hit Hamburg tourney

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PSALM delays sale of Tiwi-Makban power facility

Prospective bidders given more time to complete requirements

By Abigail L. Ho

THE PSALM-BES team has been awarded the Luzon and Visayas Management Corp. has picked back the auction for the 747-megawatt (MW) Tiwi-Makban power package in a move to give prospective bidders more time to complete their requirements.

In a statement to local press, PSALM said that instead of the original June 4 bidding deadline, the auction would be conducted on June 27 to give the nine prospective bidders more time to complete the required documents as well as their due diligence on the power plant facilities.

The submission of documents for the plant has been extended by another week, PSALM said in a May 6 supplemental bid bulletin, as bidders needed more time to secure their environmental documents from Philippine coastal offices overseas.

The bidders have until the end of the week to submit their requirements, PSALM said.

PSALM said it was confident of the support of all nine bidders for the Tiwi-Makban project, particularly as more than 400 MW of power supply contracts (PSCs) have been assigned to the power plant facilities. The presence of the PSCs, PSALM said, made the Luzon Power Corp. contract more attractive to potential bidders as it assured them of a steady market for more than 400 MW of electricity that

the plant would generate. It also raised the value of the plant package. The submission of the PSCs was announced in the nine bidders' letters during the second joint conference on April 27. The second joint conference became necessary when some bidders, who sought more information from PSALM regarding the power plant, asked for more information on the PSCs and the plant's location.

With the issue of the PSCs already settled, PSALM went on to discuss with the nine bidders the need to group the privatization transaction that covered the transition period and the withdrawal of the PSCs. The issue of the PSCs, such as the scope and pricing, were also discussed.

According to PSALM, the privatization transaction would include the underlying relationship under the existing revenue agreement between and among the major stakeholders of the plant package, including PSALM itself, Luzon Power Corp., and Philippine

Electricity Inc. and wherein would emerge as the winning bidder since June 27.

Overseas bidders need currently operate and maintain the Tiwi-Makban power plant facilities. PSALM will be monitoring both the power plant and the plant's site package.

PSALM said the sale of the Tiwi-Makban power plant would enable it to move closer to its goal of privatizing

75 percent of Luzon's power supply. Luzon's power supply is currently 100 percent state-owned. The sale of the Tiwi-Makban power plant would be the first step in the privatization of the power plant.

PSALM's privatization strategy for 2008 entails the sale of 14 plants, some of which are to be sold in bundles.

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Lopezes move to fend off Meralco takeover

By Chaim L. Lujan

THE LOPEZ FAMILY IS PREPARING TO FEND OFF what could be a government-initiated attempt to wrest control of Manila Electric Co. (Meralco) from the country's most politically influential power conglomerate.

Speaking in ignorance on Wednesday, Meralco chairman Oscar Lopez said the group he heads was now actively soliciting "potential" bidders for the company's stock. He said the company's stock was for sale for the company's May 27 annual meeting.

"We, as Lopez family," Lopez replied, when asked whether his family has been courting other potential bidders for Meralco in the ongoing fight against the state power plant.

He said the Lopez family's role in the Meralco board, like the Commission on Anti-Corruption System (KACOS)—has also been trying to shore up its position by seeking other shareholders to join its cause.

"I think back when we were in the power plant," he said, "I was trying to get power."

The Lopez family holds about 32 percent of Meralco shares, either directly or indirectly. The KACOS, on the other hand, owns 35 percent of the country's largest power distributor, although it controls an estimated 35 percent through its position of other government-owned institutions like the Social Security System.

But when he believed he was marked for the Meralco board, he said, he was the owner of the company's stock—held by institutional investors and small investors—located in the business sector.

According to the business press, a group of small investors, including the KACOS, is an untested Lopez group firm, trusting how the family is facing for a proxy fight.

In the event, the company managers asked fellow employees to harness the Lopez family's position by acquiring their

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China to let more firms enter forex market

BEIJING—CHINA WILL LOWER THE market entry threshold to bring more non-banking foreign institutions and non-financial companies into the country's electronic interbank foreign exchange market, a senior official said on Wednesday.

Pang Xuesi, deputy head of the State Administration of Foreign Exchange (SAFE), told a financial forum that the country's electronic interbank foreign exchange market has reached a mature stage and is now ready to accept more participants.

"I expect that the introduction of a few financial institutions in the wake of the 2005 currency reform, as well as China's reforming efforts, will create more opportunities in China's financial market," he said.

"Against such background, we would like to encourage the market mechanism to bring various risks and provide more risk hedging tools for companies and banks," Wang said.

"Companies are experiencing a strongly increasing demand to hedge risks in the increasing foreign exchange rates," he said.

To meet these needs, SAFE will actively introduce more foreign exchange derivatives and is looking into allowing banks to do more on-site swaps on behalf of their clients, Wang said. Currently, banks can only do such business among themselves.

China allowed the yuan to rise about 12 percent against the dollar in the first quarter in part of a move to fight domestic deflation.

The pace of appreciation has nearly slowed since the beginning of April. It was trading near 6.9584 to the dollar on Wednesday.

Wang said China will let market forces play a bigger role in setting the yuan's exchange rate, allowing companies and individuals more, which is also a priority of his office now.

Reuters

Samsung CEO to be replaced

SEOUL—SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS may replace its CEO, Samsung Electronics Chairman Lee Jaehoon, said a source close to the company.

A chairman of Samsung's top management team, who is not a member of the company's board, said the company is considering a change of CEO.

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in step down as he believed it was the right time to resign and let his successor take over the company, Samsung said.

Analysts said the decision was mostly a symbolic one. "The company will not see a change in its strategy," they said.

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Safety fears push up manufacturing costs

KOR TRUCKS—A RECENTLY introduced truck on product quality after a series of high-profile safety recalls in Korea to meet higher prices for manufacturers who get products from low-cost exporters like China.

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"You'll see a fairly rapid increase in cost to meet the new truck," said a source. "The truck is a Daewoo truck, and it is a Daewoo truck. It is a Daewoo truck, and it is a Daewoo truck. It is a Daewoo truck, and it is a Daewoo truck."

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High oil prices fuel demand for bicycles

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BUSINESS

GMA orders close watch on ODA-funded projects

By Michelle V. Ranao

PRESTIGE GMA MAGLAPAY, Atoyac, has ordered the suspension of most major government public spending on projects funded by official development assistance (ODA) funds.

The order came after a report that a number of government agencies incurred a combined cost of about P15.15 billion for year-to-date implementation of 18 ODA-funded projects.

"These [costs] were not even

approved by the President. We want to have better control over the spending of the projects," Budget Secretary Rolando Arce said. He said he would advise the President of the order, which is a response to a report that a number of government agencies incurred a combined cost of about P15.15 billion for year-to-date implementation of 18 ODA-funded projects.

National Integrated Administration, one by the Basic Conditions and Development Authority and another one by the Light Rail Transit Authority.

The GMA ordered its budget for the projects to P12.7 billion, while the DDP incurred a cost of P2.45 billion.

It also ordered the suspension of P4.1 billion. The GMA also ordered a cost of P1.4 billion while the DDP incurred a cost of P1.3 billion. The agencies and they had exceeded their budget for the

projects, including the National Integrated Administration.

Arce said some cost overruns were actually avoidable, such as those due to the increase in the price of construction materials and equipment, but that implementing agencies were overcharged by the cost of ODA funds.

The agencies and they had exceeded their budget for the

projects and agreed that implementing agencies should observe tighter rules to stay within budget.

Arce said the Government Procurement Policy Board (GPPB) was asked to come up with rules that will limit cost overruns. GPPB is an inter-agency body composed of agencies including the Department of Budget and Management and Finance, National Economic and Development Authority and Comptroller-in-Chief.

CebuPac sets free fare deal

By Nico T. Obanador

Cebu Pacific said yesterday that it was offering free fares for more than 100,000 international and 400,000 domestic seats to coincide with the start of the school year.

The free fare seats are valid from June 1 to Dec. 31 this year, Cebu Pacific said in a statement.

Combining the company's new constant fare marketing and product, said passengers would only pay the taxes and fuel and insurance surcharges, which are unavoidable.

The promotional deal will also run from today until Tuesday to avail all the allocated seats are sold.

Cebu Pacific celebrated more than 100,000 seats for its international routes that include Bangkok, Changzhou, Seoul, Ho Chi Minh, Hong Kong, Kuala Lumpur, Medan, Taipei, Hanoi, Singapore and Jakarta. More than 400,000 seats have been allocated for all of Cebu Pacific's domestic routes.

"This is our biggest sale yet in the Philippines and we are confident that this offering will further stimulate domestic and international travel and bring back our old and new customers," said Cebu Pacific CEO.

Agri workers back in DA

By Amy R. Ranao

LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXECUTIVES HAVE agreed to suspend agricultural extension workers to the Department of Agriculture.

Agriculture Secretary Arsenio C. Lacuna said the move would improve the implementation of local security programs in the provinces, which can be achieved by re-allocating local agricultural extension workers to the DA for the effective implementation of the anti-drug campaign.

Under the Memorandum of Agreement signed at the end of the meeting, the provincial government would continue paying for the salaries and other compensation of the detailed national and provincial extension workers, including security forces, police, and other personnel, and provide them with the necessary equipment and facilities.

In return, the DA will provide the official equipment of the detailed agricultural workers and provide them with the necessary

Open source summit on

By Ivan R. Saez-Cruz

Manila, May 13

Cebu City—MAYORS AND SENATORS are expected to attend the open source summit in Cebu City to discuss the impact of open source on the sector.

The Cebu Open Source Summit and Expo, which is expected to attract government and private sector, will hold the Philippine Open Source Summit 2004 at the Cebu Convention Center.

The two-day summit aims to promote the development of an innovative ecosystem and the promotion of technology entrepreneurship.

Former Director General of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) said the summit aims to encourage entrepreneurship among the information technology professionals in the country by using open source.

The event is open to all interested parties and is a developer's forum for software developers, programmers, and users of open source software.

It also aims to encourage the use of open source software in the development of IT products from government agencies, application developers and end-users, and to address the growing demand for IT products, he said.

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Panel 1: A man in a suit sits at a desk, looking at a newspaper. A woman in a dress stands behind him, looking at the paper.

Panel 2: The man looks up at the woman.

Panel 3: The man looks back down at the newspaper.

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LIFE STYLE

CHEFS COOK FOR THEIR SIGNIFICANT OTHER

Seaside dinner for his beloved

Lots of lavender spread on the table, the drone of the waves—and that's just for ambiance



PAN-ROASTED Chicken Seabird

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Photos by Remy Hernandez

DINNER BY THE BEACH? THIS is how 22-year-old chef Paolo Ong wants his dinner date to be. In his state-of-the-art spread, an eclectic white table with two glasses of martini or sparkling in one corner, he adds,

and the conception of his dinner introduction would be a gilded rock lobster served with blue-golden corn on the cob covered with lavender butter and blue wine, and a Mid-East chicken. A good evening of romantic banter will add to the gourmet experience. Fresh fruits and gelatin will top the meal.

The Ong, the crown of the waves is enough to set the romance around for the evening.

Young and new to the culinary profession, Ong is one of the good-looking chefs of Chelsea Market and Café at Seaside, Boutique Global City (tel. 8079111). He finished second last semester in Restaurant Management, major in Culinary Arts, at the College of Saint Basil.

His first job was in the banquet kitchen of The Peninsula Manila, where he had his opportunity and when he eventually got hired. Last year, Ong joined Chelsea, the (dinky-eyed) Bobby Flay, but is doing a former schoolmate who is also in the culinary business.

"We're actually in the hot line of each other dining and being together in good friends—what's that mean," he jokes.

He hasn't had the chance yet to cook for her, but both are in food rags. They love the beautiful, big of Seaside in Marikina, Quezon City.

"We just drive to a new spot and eat it here. Sometimes, we're here at 11:30 or 12:00 and expect to be here more on 11:30, Avenue in Manila and one more on our way to work," he adds.

In Seaside, he likes to grill. He always prepare lamb chops with spicy sauce for his family. Paolito is a chef himself. He has enough money to spend, he says to cook something out of the ordinary, like his roasted chicken with tomato, olive oil and apple-vinegar sauce wrapped in soft French bread like a burger.

"I'm young but I'm serious with my work. Whenever I go, be it to the restaurant or at home, I get me here from the start all the time. This is how we are trained. We have to showcase our skills and creativity all the time."

The chicken recipe recipe below is a good example of Ong's creative recipe.

Paolito's Chicken Seabird with rosemary-orange butter sauce. Blue cheese mashed potato and cherry tomato salad.

200g chicken
Pinch of salt
Pinch of pepper
1/2 tsp olive oil
1/2 tsp rosemary
1/2 tsp orange juice
1/2 tsp white wine
1/2 tsp vinegar
1/2 tsp salt
1/2 tsp olive oil

Preheat oven to 425°F. Season chicken with salt and pepper. Pre-heat oil in a skillet over high heat. Sear fish (chicken skin down) till golden brown. Turn the other side for 2-3 minutes. Transfer the pan to the oven and cook for another four minutes. 300 words.

To make rosemary-orange butter sauce: Heat pan of oil in a skillet over medium-high heat. Sear shallots, rosemary and orange over low 1-2 minutes. Deglaze pan with wine, reduced by half for five minutes. Add orange juice and fish stock. Let it boil the chicken for 10 minutes. Remove the chicken meat. Whisk in the butter, canola oil or cream. Serve with.

For blue cheese mashed potato, boil 2 large potatoes (peeled) until fork-tender. Drain a minute, rest on the potatoes. Mix together with 1/2 cup potatoes or butter and 2 tbsp butter. Season with salt and pepper.

For cherry tomato salad, pre-heat the grill. Season asparagus with salt and pepper. Grill asparagus and cherry tomatoes (broiled) until well-charred. Then mix together the tomatoes, shallots, cucumber, basil leaves, balsamic vinegar and olive oil altogether. Season in bowl with salt and pepper.

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Fast and furious noodle house

Text by Rowena C. Guegan
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THE 58-YEAR-OLD LINGNAM recently put up its second outlet in Greenbelt 1, Makati City.

Like the first Lingnam in Chinatown, Manila, from the outside, a diner's look like an unassuming eatery. Inside, however, the place is anything but calm. With exceptional speed, waiters wheel bowls of noodles to hungry diners across the room for a quick morning, noon or night dinner. In a few minutes, food arrives piping hot.

Lingnam's expansion through franchising started in 2003. Its other outlets are in Quezon, QC, Liberty Center, Malabon, Alabang, Marikina, Alabang, San Juan and Muntinlupa. The restaurant is set to open this month in another location in Lungsod.

Since 2004, Lingnam has opened a restaurant look, featuring wooden chairs and tables in each store. This is except from its territory 180-meter Chinatown shop. "It's a typical Chinese menu and prep restaurant in a modern design with simple wooden chairs and tables. Its third floor is also production area where noodles are manufactured," says Peter Pang, chairman-president of TCM Food Products Inc., which owns and manages Lingnam.

The original Chinatown outlet could have undergone renovation years ago but Peter's father, Simon, insisted on retaining its "old-fashioned" look. The latter says simplicity of his restaurant from the restaurant's design and formal appearance since it was established in 1908.

"At this outlet, you'll see waiters rushing around of customers to get their orders filled. Once the food is served and the check is given, they sit on the table, a waiter gets the food from the kitchen counter. In less than a minute, you'll be able to enjoy your order," Pang says.

New offerings. Unlike in Chinatown outlet, which only serves noodles, siopao and siomai, Lingnam's other six branches offer



'How we prepare egg noodles, siopao and siomai 58 years ago is still how we do it now'



SALT and Pepper Shrimp. Best-selling dishes such as Shrimp with Scallops, Fish Fillet, Tofu, Salt and Pepper Shrimp, Lemon Chicken, Dragon Shrimp Balls, Bangchow Rice and Rice Puddings. Scalloped Eggplant chicken.



PETER Pang, chairman-president of TCM Food Products Inc.

Chicken Feet and Hakeem will be added to their menu this month.

"We constantly change the menu to cater to the taste of customers. To improve our products, we give our survey forms to diners every quarter," Pang says.

Diners who call number 01-330-9614



YOGI Telo and, at left, Lingnam's new outlet in Greenbelt 1, Makati

five colorful vegetable soup with noodles and shrimp.

Authentic Cantonese food. According to Pang, Lingnam's reputation while here is worth it. He says the Cantonese people, who are known for their delicious cuisine.

In Lingnam, the year is its authentic Cantonese food developed by Pang's parents, Simon and Mabel. "We use prepared egg noodles, siopao and siomai 58 years ago is still how we do it now," Pang says.

"We don't use any chemical or MSG to enhance the taste of food, just our secret. We're just looking for a better packaging."

"Since then, we have been training our Filipino cooks and experienced, making sure that the stores, including the franchisees, follow the recipe in the book. That's why we're successful."

A noodle powerhouse, Lingnam carries over 20 kinds of noodles every day, says for the Bataan branch, which within 30 kilos for the week, every branch of Cantonese fast food, it's the place to go.

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James Blunt at the Big Dome

JAMES BLUNT SERVED in the British army and studied sociology before pursuing a music career. After an independent record label turned him down in London and signed him to an album deal.

Blunt's debut album, "Back to Bedlam" (RCA), was released in the UK in 2004. Two years later, the single "You're Beautiful" topped the Billboard Hot 100 and later became the first British act to have a No. 1 in America since Elton

John ("Goodbye to the World," 1999). "Back to Bedlam" sold 11 million copies worldwide.

Blunt stars in Blunt's follow-up album "All the Love" (RCA) (2007), his genre-mixed version, local fans will have a chance to see him perform live in concert on May 29 at the Inquirer Coliseum. Call 811-0033.

Adrian Llanes concert
Big top artist-composer-in-philosophy "Dino" Llanes returns to the stage with a concert on May 29 at the Inquirer Coliseum. Call 811-0033.



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Musical comedy

The Marx will also be performing his own musical comedy "New Love, Same as Last Time" (based on Michael Arndt's 1964 Broadway show) at the same venue on May 30, 7:30 p.m. at the Inquirer Coliseum. Call 433-7866 or 897-972-0010.

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Three Pinoy films in Cannes

By Rowell R. Cruz

THE 61ST CANNES INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL has invited three Filipino films to be screened this week in the prestigious gathering, held in one of the most glamorous cities in the French Riviera.

"Babang," a short film by rising director and TV personality Ysmael "Zang" Mada, will be shown in the Short Film Corner (non-comp-

etitive).

Dean Imitang's "Sana" is competing with 22 other entries for the Palme d'Or award for Best Feature Film. Raja Madsa's "Now Showing" is featured in the Cannes Cinéma de la Jeunesse section.

The latest movie entry by "Babang" is the story of John, who leaves home inside his loved one's eyes from his life. He is struggling with his position, and his family. It stars Ed

Lamson and Maja Pineda.

But of the week-long festival of short features, the daily award titles for feature and midlengths "aimed at providing filmmakers with, among such and helps in developing their artistic talents, their professional skills, and enable their careers," according to its website, www.cannesfilmfest.com.

The selected short films may be seen again upon the 40th anniversary of the Cannes Film Fest.



SGG Lamson in "Babang," not to be confused in the Cannes film fest.

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